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GOV. EASLEY APPOINTS FINAN TO DISTRICT COURT SEAT IN GREENE, LENOIR, WAYNE COUNTIES

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley today appointed Tim Finan of Goldsboro to the District Court bench in the 8th Prosecutorial District encompassing Greene, Lenoir and Wayne counties. The District Court vacancy was created by the resignation of Rose Vaughn Williams.

"For more than 29 years, Tim Finan has worked in private practice handling civil and criminal litigation," said Easley. "He brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the bench."

Finan served four years active duty in the U.S.Air Force as a prosecutor and defense counsel. He served another 24 years in the Air Force Reserve. As a reservist, Finan served in various roles; an instructor teaching trial advocacy to Air Force prosecutors and defense lawyers at bases across the United States and Europe, an investigating officer, and a legal advisor for administrative discharge board proceedings. He has received the Legion of Merit and was twice recognized, in 1997 and 2000, as the outstanding reserve judge advocate in the 9th Air Force. He retired with the rank of colonel.

Finan is a partner in Everett, Womble, Finan, Lawrence & Brown, L.L.P. in Goldsboro. Since 2004, he has served as Goldsboro city attorney. He has been chairman of the Wayne County Chapter of the American Red Cross, past president of the Goldsboro Rotary Club, a member of the board of directors of the Wayne County Mental Health Board and a volunteer Guardian ad litem.

He graduated with honors from N.C. State University in 1974 and received his law degree in 1977 from the UNC School of Law

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